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Inspection between Monterey and Monclova.

Washington, May 3, 1904.

Purnell, Hotel Bexar, San Antonio, Tex.:

Proceed immediately via Laredo to Monterey. Confer with Goldberger if you meet him, and inform him of your orders. Unless duplicating his work, you will inspect places between Monterey and Monclova, including both branches of road between Monterey and International. Mail report from each place visited, and, if necessary, wire. Will give you an assistant soon as possible, who will accompany you on this trip and who will remain on this duty. Expect to return you to San Antonio, but wire your return to Monterey, when orders will probably be given you to inspect places between Monterey and Laredo en route to San Antonio.

WYMAN.

[Reply.]

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., May 4, 1904.

WYMAN, Washington:

Leave for Monterey at 9.50 this morning.

Purnell.

Inspection on railway lines in Mexico.

Washington, May 3, 1904.

Tabor, State Health Officer, Austin, Tex.:

For your information, have had Goldberger in Monterey and other places for past two weeks on line between Tampico and Monterey, with instructions to wire if finding any yellow fever. Have also had the line of International Road from Eagle Pass to Monclova and vicinity inspected. Will continue these inspections. No yellow fever reported. Have also directed Purnell to inspect towns between Monterey and Monclova and again from Monterey to Laredo. Bureau will maintain all these observations throughout the summer. Please recommend competent physician for appointment as acting assistant surgeon to go with Purnell, and, on completion of Purnell's detail at Monterey, to remain in that section permanently. Purnell will eventually return to San Antonio.

WYMAN.

Washington, May 3, 1904.

Dr. BISMARCK FERGUSON,

Physicians and Surgeons Hospital, San Antonio, Tex.:

In accordance with your application and recommendation, State Health Officer Tabor desires your services as acting assistant. Your duty will be to join Purnell soon as possible and with him inspect places infected or suspected of being infected with yellow fever last year in Mexico. If you accept, wire acceptance and proceed immediately to join Purnell, who departed this morning for Monterey to inspect places between Monterey and Monclova, including both branches of the road between Monterey and International. On return to Monterey wire Bureau and await further orders. Purnell is to return to San Antonio. On joining Purnell report to him for duty.

WYMAN.

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Tampico, Mexico, May 3, 1904.

WYMAN, Washington:

Returned last night. No yellow fever Victoria, Linares, Monterey, New Laredo. Mail report to-day.

GOLDBERGER.

Washington, May 5, 1904.

Goldberger, American Consulate, Tampico, Mexico:

Make Monterey your headquarters and keep me informed as to conditions between Tampico and New Laredo.

WYMAN.

Observation of larvæ of anopheles mosquito at Laredo.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Richardson reports, April 25, as follows: Referring to my letter of April 16, 1904, concerning larvæ of anopheles having been found in Laredo, I have the honor to state that several larvæ kept under observation in this office have developed into anopheles pseudo puncti pennis (Theobald).

Mosquito destruction at railway watering stations.

Washington, April 30, 1904.

RICHARDSON, Laredo, Tex.:

Are your forces under Cock paying especial attention to mosquito destruction and prevention at railway watering stations?

WYMAN.

Laredo, Tex., April 30, 1904.

WYMAN, Washington .:

Replying Bureau telegram, will instruct Cock pay special attention railway watering stations. This matter already taken up with railroads.

RICHARDSON.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Richardson telegraphs the following reports of daily inspection at Laredo:

APRIL 26, 1904.

Inspected to-day 1,443 premises and treated 578 water containers. Seven sick investigated.

April 27, 1904.

Inspected to-day 1,447 premises and treated 495 water containers. Nine sick investigated.

APRIL 28, 1904.

Inspected to-day 1,395 premises and treated 489 water containers. Three sick investigated.

APRIL 29, 1904.

Inspected to-day 1,500 premises and treated 547 water containers.